

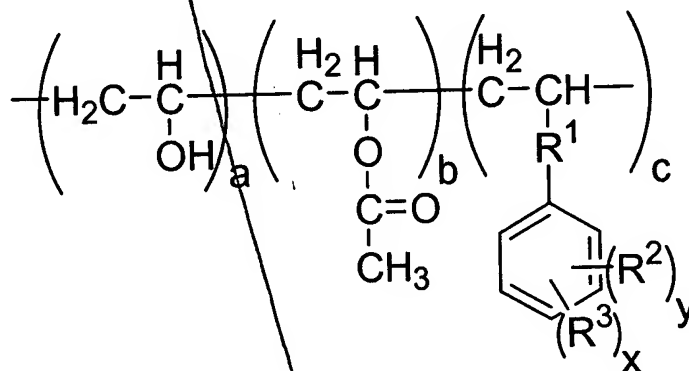
IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows [A marked up copy of the claims is provided in

Appendix B]:

1. (Twice Amended) A highly permeable composite reverse osmosis membrane comprising a thin film and a microporous support to support the thin film; wherein the thin film is formed by reacting a (a) component with a (b) component, the (a) component, as represented by Formula 1, having a main chain of polyvinyl alcohol and a side chain comprising at least one amino group selected from the group consisting of primary amines]; and the (b) component comprising at least one substantially monomeric compound having at least two groups that react with the amino groups[.]

Formula 1



wherein $0 < a$, $0 \leq b$, $2 < c$, $1 \leq x \leq 5$, $0 \leq y \leq 4$, C-R¹-C is at least one group selected from the group consisting of an ether group, an alkylene group, and an ester group; R² is at least one group selected from the group consisting of an alkyl group and a halogen group; and R³ is NH₂.

5. (Twice Amended) The highly permeable composite reverse osmosis membrane according to claim 1, wherein the (b) component is at least one polyfunctional acid chloride compound selected from the group consisting of aromatic, aliphatic, and alicyclic polyfunctional acid halide compounds.